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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 876

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend House Bill 876 by replacing  
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Nursing and Advanced Practice Nursing Act  
5 is amended by changing Section 15-10 as follows:

6 (225 ILCS 65/15-10)

7 (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2008)

8 Sec. 15-10. Advanced practice nurse; qualifications;  
9 roster.

10 (a) A person shall be qualified for licensure as an  
11 advanced practice nurse if that person:

12 (1) has applied in writing in form and substance  
13 satisfactory to the Department and has not violated a  
14 provision of this Act or the rules adopted under this Act.  
15 The Department may take into consideration any felony  
16 conviction of the applicant but a conviction shall not  
17 operate as an absolute bar to licensure;

18 (2) holds a current license to practice as a registered  
19 nurse in Illinois;

20 (3) has successfully completed requirements to  
21 practice as, and holds a current, national certification  
22 as, a nurse midwife, clinical nurse specialist, nurse  
23 practitioner, or certified registered nurse anesthetist  
24 from the appropriate national certifying body as

1 determined by rule of the Department;

2 (4) has paid the required fees as set by rule; and

3 (5) has obtained a graduate degree appropriate for  
4 national certification in a clinical advanced practice  
5 nursing specialty or a graduate degree or post-master's  
6 certificate from a graduate level program in a clinical  
7 advanced practice nursing specialty ~~successfully completed~~  
8 ~~a post basic advanced practice formal education program in~~  
9 ~~the area of his or her nursing specialty.~~

10 (b) Those applicants seeking licensure in more than one  
11 advanced practice nursing category need not possess multiple  
12 graduate degrees. Applicants may be eligible for licenses for  
13 multiple advanced practice nurse licensure categories,  
14 provided that the applicant (i) has met the requirements for at  
15 least one advanced practice nursing specialty under paragraphs  
16 (3) and (5) of subsection (a) of this Section, (ii) possesses  
17 an additional graduate education that results in a certificate  
18 for another clinical advanced practice nurse category and that  
19 meets the requirements for the national certification from the  
20 appropriate nursing specialty, and (iii) holds a current  
21 national certification from the appropriate national  
22 certifying body for that additional advanced practice nursing  
23 category. ~~In addition to meeting the requirements of subsection~~  
24 ~~(a), except item (5) of that subsection, beginning July 1, 2001~~  
25 ~~or 12 months after the adoption of final rules to implement~~  
26 ~~this Section, whichever is sooner, applicants for initial~~  
27 ~~licensure shall have a graduate degree appropriate for national~~  
28 ~~certification in a clinical advanced practice nursing~~  
29 ~~specialty.~~

30 (b-5) A registered professional nurse seeking licensure as  
31 an advanced practice nurse in the category of certified  
32 registered nurse anesthetist who applies on or before December  
33 31, 2006 and does not have a graduate degree as described in  
34 subsection (b) shall be qualified for licensure if that person:

1           (1) submits evidence of having successfully completed  
2 a nurse anesthesia program described in item (5) of  
3 subsection (a) of this Section prior to January 1, 1999;

4           (2) submits evidence of certification as a registered  
5 nurse anesthetist by an appropriate national certifying  
6 body, as determined by rule of the Department; and

7           (3) has continually maintained active, up-to-date  
8 recertification status as a certified registered nurse  
9 anesthetist by an appropriate national recertifying body,  
10 as determined by rule of the Department.

11           (c) The Department shall provide by rule for APN licensure  
12 of registered professional nurses who (1) apply for licensure  
13 before July 1, 2001 and (2) submit evidence of completion of a  
14 program described in item (5) of subsection (a) or in  
15 subsection (b) and evidence of practice for at least 10 years  
16 as a nurse practitioner.

17           (d) The Department shall maintain a separate roster of  
18 advanced practice nurses licensed under this Title and their  
19 licenses shall indicate "Registered Nurse/Advanced Practice  
20 Nurse".

21           (Source: P.A. 93-296, eff. 7-22-03.)

22           Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
23 becoming law."